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AREAS ON THE ACTIVE TOP SIDE OF A SEMICONDUCTOR CHIP

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment amends the Utility Patent Application filed herewith and should be used to calculate filing fees due. Prior to examination of the above-identified patent application, please amend as follows: